

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 11-37 are pending in the current application. Claims 1, 3, 8, 9, 15, 23 and 32 are independent claims. By this Amendment, claims 4, 10 and 38 and 39 have been cancelled. In view of the following remarks, favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

**REVOCATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Applicants submit that a new Revocation and Substitution of Power of Attorney and Change of Address is filed concurrently with the filing of this Amendment. The new Revocation and Substitution of Power of Attorney and Change of Address acknowledges the correct Inventors, Karl-Erik KNIPSTRÖM et al., as well as, the correct Assignee, ESAB AB (contrary to the Revocation filed on July 21, 2006) of the present application.

**ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 3-7 and 9-37 are in condition for allowance (see page 3 of the Action). By this Amendment, the limitations of claims 4 and 10, indicated allowable by the Examiner, have been moved into independent claims 1 and 8, respectfully. As such, independent claims 1 and 8 are allowable at least by virtue of the Examiner's previous indication of allowance. Further, independent claims 38 and 39 are cancelled by this Amendment. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that the present amendments place the application in

condition for allowance. Issuance of the present application is respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

Accordingly, in view of the above, reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of each of claims 1-3, 5-9 and 11-37 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a three (3) month extension of time for filing a reply to the outstanding Office Action and submit the required \$1020.00 extension fee herewith.


Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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